

REMARKS

In response to the restriction requirement dated May 27, 2005, Applicants hereby provisionally elect, with traverse, the claims of Group I (claims 1, 18, 20 and 28), drawn to a polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence encoding an RNAi operatively linked to a promoter, a vector comprising the polynucleotide, a host cell comprising the polynucleotide, and a pharmaceutical composition, classified in class 536, subclass 24.5.

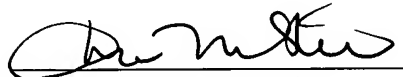
Applicants retain the rights to rejoin certain non-elected claims prior to allowance.

CONCLUSION

If the Examiner believes that a telephonic interview with the undersigned would expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is cordially invited to call the undersigned at (617) 338-2952.

Respectfully submitted,

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